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## And A New Congress

Washington, Nov. 3.—The Democrats consolidated their control of the new United States Congress on Wednesday. Their majority in the House of Representatives approached landslide proportions.

The voters—in a startling upset—insured 40 or more Republican House members and gave the Democrats a majority in the Senate. If the breathtaking trends continue, the new Congress probably will look something like this:

House—Democrats 242 seats; Republicans 102 seats; American Labour 1 seat.

(The Republicans control the outgoing Congress House 243 to 185—with two American Labour members and five vacancies.)

Senate—Democrats 54 seats; Republicans 42 seats.

(The Republicans control the old Senate 51 to 45).—Associated Press.

## JAP FLEET PROTEST

Shanghai, Nov. 4.—The American proposal for the restoration of the Japanese merchant fleet to its pre-war level of 4,000,000 tons instead of 1,000,000 tons as agreed in the Potsdam Declaration was strongly protested by the National Association of Chinese Shipowners yesterday in a letter submitted to the National Federation of American Shipping.

The letter, bearing the signatures of six Chinese prominent in the merchant marine business here, was sent to the American organization in support of the latter's protest over an increase of Japanese maritime shipping tonnage.

The letter proposed:

Firstly—the restriction of the Japanese merchant fleet to 1,000,000 tons.

Secondly—the restriction of Japanese shipping activities to coastal trade excluding them from overseas commerce, which should solely be undertaken by the Allied powers.

Thirdly—the apportioning of surplus tonnage and shipbuilding equipment among the Allies as reparations and the approval of the Chinese claim for 500,000 tons of Japanese vessels.

Fourthly—the early conversion of various outstanding problems such as reparations, Japan's industrial requirements, and merchant marine restrictions.—Reuter.

## EDITORIAL

### Mr Truman's Triumph

THE re-election of Mr Harry Truman as President of the United States can be considered one of the greatest personal achievements ever accomplished by a candidate for the highest office in the land. It will also go down in history as the most extraordinary example of the fallibility of pre-election polls, surveys and prophecies which hitherto have been accepted as classic barometers of public opinion. President Truman, reported one news agency, had been "virtually written off" by the Press and the Polls, and it is now apparent they both made the profound mistake of ignoring the possible effect of Mr Truman's tour of the country. No candidate could complete such a programme of oratory and personal contact with electors without leaving some sort of impression on the indifference. In Mr Truman's case the reactions must have been favourable, for he captured many more votes than those of the trade unionists who were indicted by their leaders to support the President. Nor does the story of the 1948 Republican debacle end there. This was supposed to be a Republican year, but it has turned out to be a Democratic year, for in addition to retaining the presidency, the party has won back control of the Senate and House of Representatives. Thus, for the first time in two years, President Truman can send messages to Congress in the full confidence that it will support them with the necessary legislation. It can be conceived that there will be sharp changes in the country's social, economic and industrial affairs. President Truman's greatest domestic pre-occupation during past months has been the mounting high cost of living. His solution for that problem depends very largely on the restoration of price controls, which are almost certain to involve subsidies. The Re-

## MR TRUMAN'S ASTOUNDING VICTORY

### Dewey Will Never Run For The Presidency Again

New York, Nov. 3.—President Truman today led his down and out Democratic Party back to political power in an astounding election upset. He won the Presidency against odds that looked insurmountable to everyone but him. It was the closest race since the Wilson-Hughes seesaw battle 32 years ago. But in this race, Mr Truman went out in front on the first returns and was never headed.

Riding the glory train with him was a small army of other Democratic candidates. They captured more than enough seats to insure solid Democratic control in both Houses of the Congress.

It was a stunning defeat for New York's Republican governor Thomas E. Dewey and his party. He lost to the formidable Franklin D. Roosevelt in 1944. But he had been expected to win against Mr Truman. The young challenger folded his headquarters in New York City and went back to his gubernatorial job in Albany. It looked like the end of the political trail for the onetime racket buster who always had managed to take defeat in his stride and bounce back into the national picture stronger than ever. He said he would never run for the Presidency again.

An estimated 47,000,000 Americans voted. At 6 p.m. EST on Wednesday unofficial and still incomplete returns compiled by the United Press showed these standings for four major candidates: Truman, 21,327,670; Dewey, 10,718,053; Wallace, 994,533; Thurmond, 823,305.

Mr Truman had been counted out in advance by all pre-election polls. His party was torn into warring factions of right and left and the oldtime Democratic chieftains of the Roosevelt era wanted to throw him overboard at the party convention last June. But the American voters proved how wrong they were. He rolled up a plurality of more than 1,500,000 popular votes over Dewey and took command of 28 states with a com-

bined electoral vote of 304-38 over the winning majority of 531 electoral votes.

It was a horse race all through Tuesday night with Mr Truman clinging to a narrow lead that the Republicans thought would be melted away when the rural vote came in. Their hopes skyrocketed when New York's 47 electoral votes went to Dewey in the early morning hours. Not since 1910 had a Presidential candidate won without New York.

It was Henry A. Wallace's defection from the Democratic camp that cost Mr Truman the Empire State. The Progressive Party candidate polled over half a million votes in New York. Mr Truman trailed Mr Dewey in the State by only 50,000.

Then came the electrifying word that Ohio with its 25 electoral votes had gone to Mr Truman. Mr Dewey threw in the sponge at 11 a.m. EST, he announced that he had conceded.

The news flashed around the world to the waiting millions in Europe and the Far East who had been watching fearfully for a sign of change in American foreign policy. There was none, and Mr Dewey—who had endorsed bipartisan foreign policy at the start of his campaign—emphasized again in his telegram of concession to the President: "I urge all support of every effort to keep our nation strong and free and establish peace in the world."

Former President Herbert Hoover issued a statement in New York on the same theme. He said: "All Americans will now rally unitedly to President Truman's support, that we may have peace on earth and prosperity for our country."

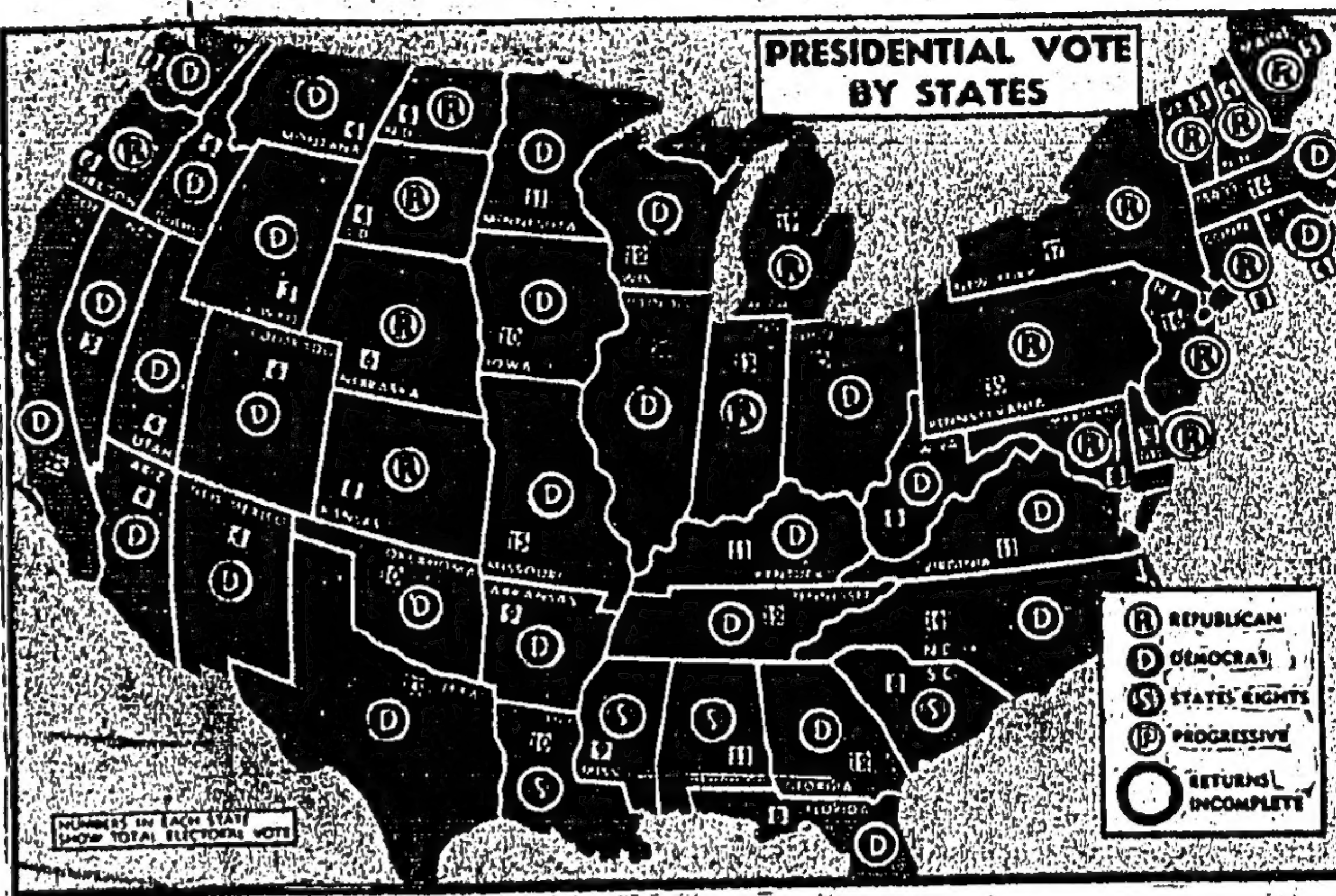
**MR TRUMAN CALM**  
President Truman was waiting calmly in a Kansas City hotel room when word came that Mr Dewey had given up and that he (Truman) and his vice-presidential running mate, Senator Alben Barkley of Kentucky, were in. He hugged his brother, J. Vivian Truman, and grinned a big grin. Then he said soberly: "I just want to deserve the honour."

Mr Truman had pulled off the political miracle of the century. Crushed Mr Wallace and the Southern State's Rights rebels led by Governor J. Strom Thurmond of South Carolina, and breathed new life into his Party.

Thus the Democratic regime he inherited from President Roosevelt's death in 1945 was extended again and will cover a span of at least 20 years. That is the longest political chain of succession since the Republican era that began with President Lincoln in 1860 and ran without a break until 1864.

Millions of young Americans who voted in their first Presidential election yesterday cannot remember when a Republican was in the White House.—United Press.

## How Candidates Shared The States



The above illustration shows at first glance how the candidates for the Presidency shared the States and gained the electoral votes. Mr Truman with 28 States won 304 electoral votes. Mr Dewey carried 16 States for an electoral poll of 166 votes and Mr Thurmond four States with a vote of 38.



TOJO

## TOJO TO LEARN HIS FATE DURING THIS WEEK

Tokyo, Nov. 4.—The International Military Tribunal for the Far East reconvened today to pass judgment on former Premier Hideki Tojo and his 24 co-defendants, but it may be a week before the former Japanese leaders find out whether they will hang, go back to prison or go free.

At 9.30 today (Tokyo time) the Tribunal President, Sir William Webb, of Australia, began reading the long document which has the verdict and sentences for individual defendants at its conclusion.

There was no immediate indication as to the high court's decisions. After two and a half years of hearing of evidence and deliberating, the 11-nation tribunal was finally near its end. It was one of the longest and one of the most important trials in history.

Both the Japanese and Allied spectator galleries were packed with people to see what would happen to the only one of the Axis dictators to face trial by the victor nations. But there was no quick clue about which defendants might hang, which might get prison sentences or which may be found not guilty.

erected at Sugamo Prison here in Tokyo where the defendants have been held.

It has been impossible thus far to find out whether the bodies of those executed will be turned over to the families or whether the bodies of condemned men will be buried in secret unmarked graves to prevent their becoming shrines to martyrs.—United Press.

**SECRET JUDGMENT**

The highly secret judgment document is reported to be 1,700 to 1,800 pages in length and is divided into three major sections.

The first section deals with the general phase of the trial, covering questions of law and the court's findings on legal points. The second part deals in broad terms with individual defendants. The third and final section contains the verdict and sentences.

Court officials estimated before the trial reconvened today that it may take a week for the tribunal's president to read through the early part of the long judgment down to the part with which the former Japanese war leaders are more concerned.

However, before the judges get down to individual sentences, they will announce several important findings that may count for a lot in future international relations. The court is expected to hand down decisions on a number of points. Including the right of a nation to violate treaties, the obligation of a nation to declare war before beginning hostilities and the question of whether or not an aggressive war constitutes a crime. It probably also will rule on whether or not individual leaders of a nation are criminally liable for the acts of the nation.

Admission is by pass only and only a few passes have been given out. There are military police just about everywhere you look—and they are well armed.

It still is a secret as to what will be done with any defendant found guilty and sentenced to death. It is presumed they will be hanged and not shot. New gallows have been

**ELABORATE PRECAUTIONS**  
Elaborate precautions have been taken to prevent the defendants from committing suicide and to prevent others from attacking them. A new seven-strand barbed wire fence has been thrown around the court building which is the former Japanese War Ministry building. Persons going in and out of the building and courtroom are subject to search.

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## All Feared Killed In B-29 Crash

### SEARCH PARTIES GO OUT

London, Nov. 3.—A B-29 Superfortress stationed in Britain—looked off from Scampton air base near Lincoln on Wednesday morning. It was bound for Burtonwood, Lancashire site of a recently established United States Air Force Headquarters.

The plane—one of the 90 Superfortresses stationed in Britain—looked off from Scampton air base near Lincoln on Wednesday morning. It was bound for Burtonwood, Lancashire site of a recently established United States Air Force Headquarters.

The plane crashed on top of a hill 2,000 feet high, 13 miles south-east of Manchester.

It had been flying through broken clouds which lowered the ceiling to 2,000 feet, said the first announcement from the Third Air Division Headquarters.

The plane was from the 301 Bomb Group.

A B-29 usually carries a crew of ten or 11 men.—Associated Press.

### SEARCH BY RESCUERS

Heyfield, Derbyshire, Nov. 3.—A Royal Air Force mountain rescue team from Buxton, Derbyshire, and a United States Air Force search party were sent out into the Derbyshire hills tonight to the wreckage of the United States Air Force super-fortress bomber which had crashed on the hillside near Heyfield.

There is little hope for the safety of the crew of 13.

Wreckage of the plane, which was on a routine training flight from Scampton to Burtonwood, Lancashire, was first located by aircraft which reported no signs of life.

Heyfield inhabitants told reporters they heard a plane fly low over the town just before the crash was reported and that it was very misty at the time.

The United States Air Force headquarters in England stated tonight that there were three officers and 10 airmen in the crashed plane.

Burtonwood has been used by the USAF for some weeks—in preparation for servicing American planes engaged on the Berlin airlift.

The first plane to land there for maintenance touched down last Tuesday.

Scampton was the main base at which superfortresses arrived in July of this year. It was previously used by Royal Air Force Lincoln bombers.—Reuter.

### Reds Closing In

San Francisco, Nov. 3.—The Chinese Communists on Wednesday asserted they were driving the Government troops from their last two footholds in Manchuria, the ports of Yingkou and Huludao.

A broadcast said the Government troops were trying to flee from Huludao but that only their commanders, Gen Wei Li-huang and General Tu Li-ming, had been able to escape by plane.—Associated Press.

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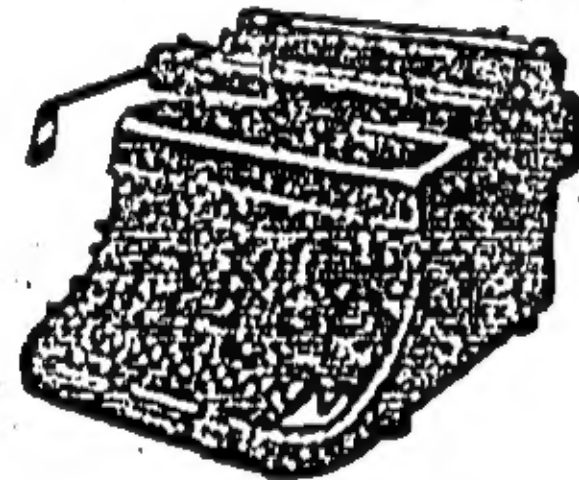
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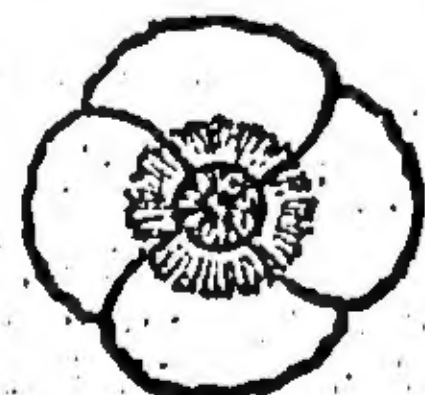


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## REMEMBRANCE DAY

Remembrance Day is dedicated to those in the Services who fought so gallantly and endured so much between 1914/18 and 1939/45. It is also an occasion when Britons in distant parts of the Empire and foreign lands turn their thoughts to the Mother Country and feel that they share that great tradition which she has created and so splendidly maintained throughout the centuries.

It is now more necessary than ever before to secure your generous support for Earl Haig's Fund for the Disabled of the two World Wars. Their need is great, and the Committee of the British Legion feel that you would wish to be prominently identified in the endeavour to alleviate the distress of so noble a band of physical sufferers.

Remembrance Day will be celebrated  
on 7th November.

Poppies will be sold on Saturday,  
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## WOMANSENSE

### Feather Headdresses Revive Sophisticated Spray Effects

FEATHERS are important again in headdresses for Autumn and are designed to complete cocktail and evening fashions and also to be worn with new short collures and pendant earrings. Black ostrich feathers have an early 1900 feeling in up-and-down trends and are designed to be worn with new Autumn cocktail and evening costumes. Many headdresses are side slanted with a sophisticated effect. Some fancies are posed on velvet clips to fit the head snugly.

From another New York designer. Adorned with large silk and velvet roses the head pieces come in shades of pink and blue. They are featured on a black velvet covered bicycle clip, adjustable on the head to suit the particular coiffure.

"Feather Bird Tops" feature a series done in hackle feathers and pompons and topped by a high flying bird. These feather ornaments are in the popular Autumn shades of bitter-sweet, bronze, claret and elephant gray.

A feather headdress with side treatment also featuring the up-and-down trend was inspired by a Gainsborough painting and is made of curled burnt baby ostrich and wired wing feathers in shaded aqua.

Specially treated quills shaped into authentic looking flowers are also an added note for feather accessories.

"Ostrich Confection" is designed to add glamour to new short collures, in feather fancies shown by one New York Shop. A small colot of burnt baby ostrich in black has side interest with a curled stand-up plume.

Black curled ostrich in hair effect is smart for cocktail as well as evening wear.

"Bronze Coq" in a Parisian adaptation has a long side sweep and is highlighted in gay colours.

French influence is reflected in the up-and-down styled flower aigrette

### Home-Made Cosmetics

POWDER will cling over so much better if you will take that extra minute to blend on a powder base. Here's a nice "homemade" one. Eight ounces of witch hazel, one-half teaspoonful of boric acid, one-half teaspoonful of glycerine. Mix well. It's a cooler!

Do you know that a Lemon Aspirin is the coolest thing! Strain the juice of two lemons. Add to this an equal amount of ice water. "Sop" it on your face. Relax for one minute, then arise. Put on your makeup—and you are on your beautiful way!

### AUTUMN WINGS



Bonnet in "village green" velvet tilted to show a cluster of black wing feathers. Paris hat made in London by Erik of Bond Street.

### THE VERSATILE SCARF



By ALICE ALDEN

SING A SONG, in praise of that most useful, that most versatile of accessories, the scarf, especially to keep off the autumn blasts. It makes a hood, it makes a blouse. It makes a skirt apron, and when it isn't busy with such sartorial tasks, it makes

over dress or suit necklines. Glentex does a series of colourful, brilliantly coloured silk scarves, with an idea of creating new neckline interest in a jiffy. Merely fold a square, drape it around the throat, and pull the ends through the loop. Anchor it with a jewelled pin for further dress-up design. (Costume jewellery is popular).

Or if you like sloping shoulders now that shoulder pads are not such a craze, a scarf, artfully draped, can do a good job of creating the right shoulder line. One way to punctuate a shoulder line with a gentle slope is to drape a scarf high around the throat, low over the shoulders. Glentex does a brilliant scarf in silk, a neat square that has been folded in a slightly uneven triangle to display one corner dipping low in front. Two ends then cross high in back and come forward to a bow in front.

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### EFFECT OF IRON ON ANAEMIA

By Horman N. Bundeson, M.D.

HAEMOGLOBIN is the substance which gives the blood its colouring matter and also enables it to carry oxygen. Thus it is of enormous importance to our health and well-being. Iron is one of the chief constituents of haemoglobin and, for that reason, a certain amount of iron must be supplied by the food that we eat.

A person who does not get enough iron-containing foods is pretty sure to develop anaemia with a decrease in the number of red cells and a marked drop in the amount of red colouring matter. In these cases, treatment consists of giving iron-containing preparations until the red cells, with their haemoglobin content, are restored to normal levels.

#### Amount of Iron

Here, several questions may arise: how much iron should be used, what type of iron salt is best employed and whether or not the addition of liver extract and vitamin B-complex will speed up the recovery?

Some studies were carried out by Drs S. O. Schwartz and B. E. Armstrong, of Chicago, on 55 women who had anaemia. They found that when the iron preparations were administered for one or two months, there was a rapid recovery period. During the next month, the blood colouring level rose above normal, with a return to the normal level between the fourth and sixth months.

#### Good Results

About 250 mg. of iron, given in the form of iron and ammonium citrate or ferrous sulfate, gave as good results as quantities almost double this amount. There did not appear to be any difference in the response obtained, no matter what type of iron salt was employed. Furthermore, the addition of the B-complex vitamin and liver extract did not seem to increase the action of the iron. However, it was definitely determined that, in treating anaemia, at least three months of administration of the iron-containing preparation was required to obtain the maximum effect.

Anaemia may be present without causing any particular symptoms other than perhaps some slight pallor of the skin, and fatigue. Thus, the patient's symptoms cannot be used as a guide as to how much improvement is occurring. Examination of the blood by the physician is necessary to tell how the patient is progressing. Of course, there are many other causes of anaemia besides lack of iron in the diet. In these cases, it is necessary to eliminate the cause before treatment with iron preparations can be successful.

### WHEN SCHOOL IS "HOME" TO THE CHILD

By Garry Cleveland Myers, Ph.D.

FOR some children the boarding school is a haven of security, especially of the children of divorced parents. In America, a very large percentage of children in most boarding schools are from broken homes.

Also deans of colleges, high school and grade school principals and teachers at all educational levels are becoming conscious of divorce in relation to the child at school or college. They and school psychologists are growing aware of the large number of problem children and youths whose parents are separated.

In recent years I have been impressed with the possible contribution of a good school to the emotional security of the child who hasn't found this security at home.

Of course, all good developments in treating every child at school as a sacred personality provide all children, including children of divorced parents, with the kind of emotional security so much needed. And we must remember that even many children whose parents are sticking together don't enjoy emotional security in their homes.

Of all the rules for successful marriage this simple one, I am sure, lends all the rest: Let each member of the married couple be so self-disciplined and unselfish as to strive always for the happiness and well-being of the other member as a sacred personality.

### How To Improve Your Voice



By LOIS LEEDS

"REMEMBERING" your breath neo-poh-too-lay-bee" in a speaking voice.

control, say the word "home", continuing to hum the "m" sound," says Rosalia Maraca, radio and opera soprano. "Repeat five times, then inhale and hum with a relaxed throat. If you just allow the breath to flow freely you will feel the vibrations in the bridge of the nose. Try humming some simple tune in this fashion.

"Words are, of course, the backbone of speech," says Miss Maraca. "Hence you must mind your tongue and your lips. Speak recite or read while watching your lips in a mirror to make sure that you do not distort your mouth while forming your words. Good diction must be sharp and clear but you do not have to grimace to acquire it. Consonants have clarity from the voice itself, not from exaggerated pressure of the lips. If your tongue is free and your lips are sensitive and alive your diction will be good."

#### Exercises

These are some diction exercises recommended by Miss Maraca. While looking into the mirror, pronounce the syllables, "dah-may-

Let the head drop forward, with the jaw hanging of its own weight, and move the head slowly from side to side, allowing the lips, tongue, throat and jaw to relax completely.

Using the mirror, repeat the old tongue twister, "Peter Piper picked a peck of pickled peppers. If Peter Piper picked a peck of pickled peppers Peter Piper picked?" Still using the mirror, repeat the sentence, "Do you know now?"

"Finally," says Miss Maraca "you must learn to listen to yourself. When you are doing your voice and diction exercises you must concentrate hard on the things that you are doing and how you wish your voice to sound. Read aloud and listen to your reading. That will teach you how to give your voice expression and life."

Miss Maraca is certain that 15 minutes a day spent on these exercises will improve any average speaking voice. So, if you want that final touch of charm, start your practising NOW!

### Valli's View On Drivers' Manners

By PATRICIA CLARY

HOLLYWOOD — The American motorist gets a left-handed compliment from the Italian star, Valli. He's not half so rude, she said, as motorists elsewhere.

"I think American drivers, and certainly those in southern California, are the most courteous I've ever seen," she said.

In Europe, especially in Italy and France, she said, drivers are bombastic and argumentative.

"They even stop traffic to get out of their cars and argue," she said. "Southern California drivers don't act like that at all. I've never seen a driver in a collision here actually stop his car and get out to fight. In fact, many don't stop at all."

Valli has been learning how to drive since she made her American debut in David O. Selznick's "The Paradine Case."

"I've been poking along slowly, trying to learn to shift gears smoothly," she said. "I would have been completely unnerved if someone came up behind me and honked his horn as furiously as they do in Italy."

American drivers, she said, just give a little "beep beep."

#### Smile Helps

Sometimes men in other cars, she admitted, were "a bit impatient" and hurled harsh words at her.

"But when I smiled and told them I was just learning," she said, "they always showed the good humour by saying something witty."

Valli often stalled her car, in her nervousness to get going when a light turned green. People were very anxious to help, she found; they often gave her a little push.

Even American policemen, she said, were nice and considerate.

Rushing to the Selznick studio one day while the "Paradine Case" company was waiting for her, Valli's chauffeur went through a light which was just turning red. A tough-looking motorcycle policeman pulled up beside them with a book of tickets ready in his hand.

It just happened, however, that the policeman was in an American Army camp in Italy when Valli entertained there. He escorted them the rest of the way to the studio.

"I can't see," she puzzled, "why people say Los Angeles drivers are rude or policemen hardboiled."

### THE EXPERT ON THE MARCHEN

FISH, either fresh or tinned, makes an attractive salad dish that is tasty and filling. Tinned fish is economical, as no fuel is used to prepare the fish, it can be ready in a few minutes, and there is no waste.

Fresh fish and fresh crab or prawns have a flavour that cannot be equalled. It is important to serve fish salads really cold.

#### FISH MAYONNAISE

8oz. cooked white fish, 1 tablespoonful hard boiled egg or cooked dried egg, 2 tablespoonfuls salad dressing, 1 teaspoonful Worcester Sauce, 1 tablespoonful chopped parsley, salt and pepper, 1 lettuce, watercress, cooked peas and carrots, cucumber.

REMOVE all skin and bones from the fish and flake with a fork. Add the chopped cooked egg, parsley, Worcester Sauce and salad dressing, and work the mixture together. Divide into six. Arrange the lettuce in a dish, and place the mounds of fish mayonnaise on this; garnish with slices of cucumber. Pile the cooked vegetables in the centre, and garnish with watercress.

#### SALMON MOULD

1 tin salmon, 1 hard-boiled egg, 1 tomato, 2 tablespoonfuls chopped capers, lettuce and cucumber, 14oz. gelatine, 400ml. vinegar, 14oz. water, salt and pepper.

DISSOLVE the gelatine in hot water, then add the vinegar and the rest of the water. Pour a little of this into the bottom of a mould and set on ice or in the refrigerator. Arrange a stack of sliced egg and tomato in the mould, and set in a little of the gelatine mixture.

Remove any skin and bones, and flake the salmon, add the chopped capers and the remainder of the gelatine, and pour into the mould. When set, serve on a bed of lettuce, garnished with cucumber.

GEORGIE RODGERS

### Rupert & Mr Punch—34



When the planks are tied behind the boat, Rupert turns to Mr. Punch. "Do you think you are strong enough to row me to that breakwater and back?" he asks. "I think I could," replies the other, "but we must hurry or it will be quite dark before we get unshaded." As soon as they are under way, Rupert starts to explain his idea. "Sandy Bay is too far for any one of us to row there," he says. "But if we could turn this big sailing boat it might be possible, don't you think?"

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BY FRED HARMAN





# WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES



**BULLS-EYE**—Under the watchful eyes of S/Sgt. Oswell McKinnon, a group of U.S. Army wives at Munich begin an instruction course in shooting carbines. Mrs. Paul K. Bullard (left), 24, of Torrington, Conn., and Mrs. Wayne B. Blue, 23, of Bessemer, Ala., are firing from the prone position; Mrs. Gwen T. Winterberger, Hollywood, Fla., stands.



**NO ONE GETS BY**—A barricade is set up at the entrance to the coal mines near Montigny, France. The French miners intend to stave off government interference in their strike, and have had serious clashes with the government's security forces.



**RICE FOR JAPAN**—Almost like sending coal to Newcastle is this scene in which the first shipment of rice from Egypt reaches Japan. The rice is part of more than 200,000 tons of imported food which Allied authorities have released for Japanese use.



**ICE PERFORMERS**—Paul Preston swings his wife, Mickee, as the novelty acrobatic ice skating team puts on an act at a theatre in New York.



**NEWSPAPERMAN HONOURED**—On the steps of the Emporia Gazette, the Kansas newspaper made famous by her late husband, Mrs. William Allen White receives the first sheet of three-cent stamps honouring the "Sage of Emporia."



**DEATH FOR DEATH CARS**—After being paraded through downtown Chicago, these jalopies, each of which had killed someone, are piled into a huge heap and burned. A 25-piece band and a motor-cycle police escort led the parade of towed cars. The event was sponsored by the city traffic safety committee and the Chicago Automobile Trade Association.



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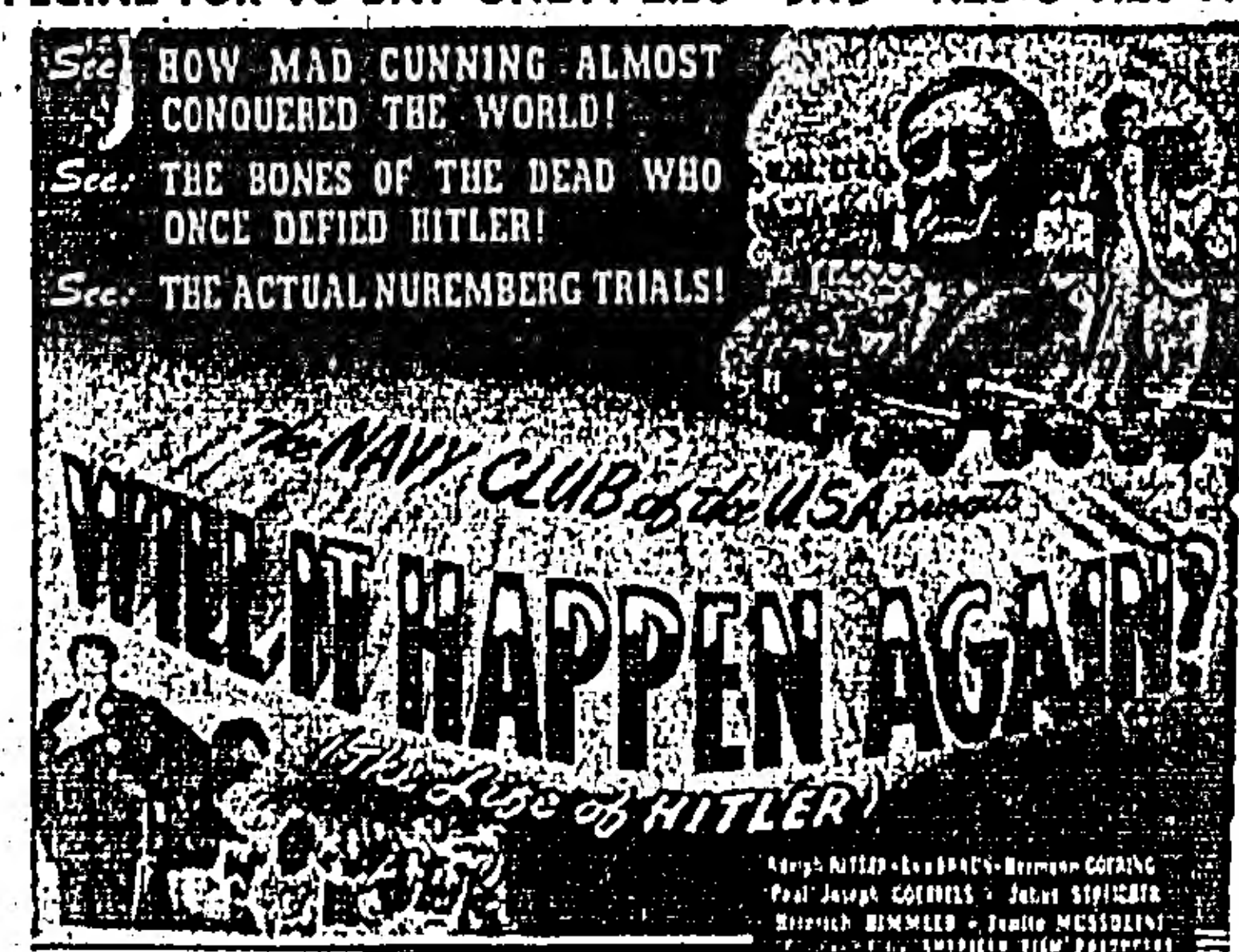
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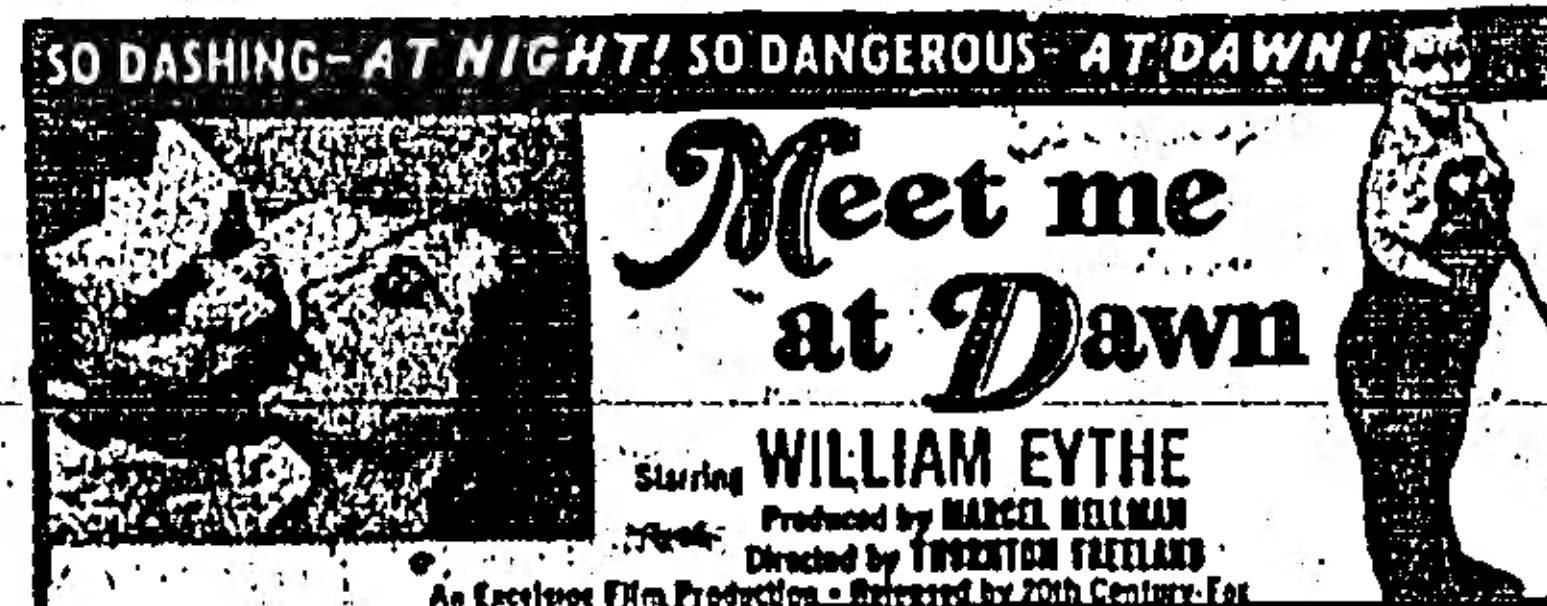
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"Stop sniffing, Stella—who the heck is going to tell M.I.5 that you wear a red flannel nightie?"

## WHAT ARE THE CAUSES OF THE CRISIS IN FRANCE?

By LORD GRANARD.

**D**ISTURBANCES, strikes, and inflation. That is the autumn fare for the French people, and why? It may be seasonal. But it may be that Molotov and Vyshinsky usually speak at this time of the year at international conferences.

Last year the French general strike took place while all the peace-loving gentlemen, including Molotov and Vyshinsky, were speaking in London. This year it is in Paris that Vyshinsky is talking, right in front of the Eiffel Tower.

In Paris Vyshinsky feels at home. One Frenchman in four subscribes to his views, little knowing what they may mean.

He has, too, the largest Communist Press this side of the Iron Curtain supporting and praising his speeches.

### SHE SUFFERS FOR RUSSIA

Yet this is not enough. He must impress the delegates of UNO with the executive power which Russia holds in the West.

And so France, like any other satellite country, must suffer to further the Russian cause.

The French T.U.C., which is entirely Communist directed, complying with instructions, calls a strike of the coal miners and the railway at the expense of the national interests.

Railwaymen, proud of their profession, respond indifferently.

But the miners follow the Communist order. Coal is the life of the Marshall plan. The defeat of the Marshall plan means a great Russian victory.

However, the strikes will not continue long, because they are unpopular with both the miners and the people of France.

Indeed, these Moscow-inflicted strikes do immense harm to the French Communist Party as well.

But the French Communists must suffer and obey. For there is to be no Tito business in their wing of the party.

But the ordinary little man of France is rapidly becoming disgusted with all the political manoeuvres and strikes since the liberation of France. He has seen all the political somersaults, and he is beginning to lose patience.

He had a rough time during the occupation, and hoped for better days when the war was over.

The Germans were driven out, but bitter political enmity and, worst of all, inflation remained.

The merry-go-round of French politics was strange to see. One day de Gaulle was forgiving Thorez, the French Communist leader, and making him Vice-Premier.

The Communists were calling de Gaulle a "great patriot." Now no word is bad enough to be used between them.

In 1945 de Gaulle signed a treaty with Russia and criticised the Anglo-Saxons.

Today he has changed. The Communists have changed, too.

### PARADOX OF ASSEMBLY VOTE

These political fights of ideology have continued with such violence in the Assembly that to call a political opponent there an "assassin" has become almost a term of endearment.

Another paradox is to see in the Assembly voting with the Communists against the Government; the one to upset the Government, the other to cause trouble at any price.

What the Frenchman longs for most is a stable Government good enough, but not too dictatorial, to stabilise prices.

Instead, since 1944 prices have risen steadily. And French people have seen all their cash savings become nearly worthless.

The worst-off are those who have been receiving pensions. These have now become a pittance.

### RIISING COSTS, LOW WAGES

Wages are too low and never manage to keep up with the rising cost of living.

This causes much misery, and helps to justify the French T.U.C.

in organising strikes which are generally of a political nature. Every fall of Government has brought a rise in prices, and the French are becoming desperate.

Many had hoped that Paul Reynaud would have restored the economy of the country. But the Government in which he was left before he could even start work.

The coalition Government of M. Queuille is the sort of Government which France likes.

It is neither too far to the Right nor to the Left. It is tolerant and represents the moderate element of the French bourgeoisie.

### MANY VOTES FOR DE GAULLE

His Government may well resist the attacks on it when the Assembly meets in a month's time. But this will depend on the success it has in fighting cost of living.

If the coalition of M. Queuille were to fall, General de Gaulle will gain considerable support for his argument that France cannot possibly be a prey to constant party politics.

If elections were to be held now he would undoubtedly receive a very large number of votes. It is hard to tell whether the general will reach power soon or not.

Today, he would seem to have a better chance than a year ago.

He may have lost parliamentary support as a result of his recent speech, but he has gained support in the country.

If de Gaulle attains power he will have done so largely by the folly and bickering of his opponents.

### WOULD SELL HIS SOUL FOR FRANCE

He is still the greatest single figure in France today. His integrity is beyond question.

He is a very great patriot, and no man has rendered more service to his country.

In his actions he associates himself personally with the destiny of France. And if he thought he could help France by selling his soul to the Devil he would do so.

But whether the general reaches power will depend, too, on the international situation. At this time the French public take little interest in whether there will be another war or not. They

worry more about their next meal and what it will cost.

Not so the officials, who are deeply concerned about the repercussions of the Berlin dispute on France.

The French Foreign Office has been warning its Government of the dangers of too blindly following the Anglo-Saxons over the Berlin question.

### REMEMBER THE OCCUPATION

Many French politicians feel that no provocative sabre-rattling, such as the widely publicised appointment of Field-Marshal Montgomery as Commander-in-Chief of the Western Powers, should be done until there is a reasonable chance of defending, at least, the line of the Rhine, if not the Elbe.

Few Frenchmen who fought in 1914 recoiled well the German occupation of 1940. Today, nobody forgets the German occupation, and nobody wants to be "occupied" again.

That the French urge caution is reasonable, for their armed forces are yet to be rebuilt.

This is hard to do quickly, especially when the French Assembly never misses a chance to "cut the army vote."

For France it is a difficult task, to build an army and, at the same time, maintain economic stability. Indeed, all forces of the Western Powers, including those of the United States of America, would have a difficult task in preventing Western Europe being overrun in the event of a conflict.

### IN PEACE THEY WILL PROSPER

Without war, France will recover her prosperity and stability. That day may not be far off.

Marshall aid will hasten it. Her industry is working and exporting. Her agriculture is flourishing.

But what is generally forgotten is that France is still fighting with energy and courage a war to keep her Empire.

A successful war is being waged in Indo-China, and disturbances are being fought vigorously in Madagascar.

So, whatever criticisms may be levelled at the French Government since the liberation, great credit must be given to them for the way their empire has been preserved in spite of the opposition of the Communists and their support of rebel elements in Indo-China and elsewhere.

There is still nothing really fundamentally wrong with France which time and a good government cannot put right.

## IN AND OUT OF PARLIAMENT

By Ernest Thurtle, M.P.

**LONDON.**  
It would be untrue to say that there is not anxiety in Labour circles regarding possible revelations of the judicial inquiries into alleged departmental irregularities.

Such anxiety does in fact exist, for revelations of a damaging character might clearly have serious political consequences.

One distinction should be made. Obviously any lapses by politicians, clearly established, would be much more serious from a political standpoint than lapses by departmental servants, for whom there would be technical Ministerial responsibility.

But I would stress that even politicians are not to be condemned unheard, and the fair-minded will await the facts.

**M**OST people must be sick of the protracted wrangling place at UNO.

There is some minor satisfaction, however, in the fact that the wild and whirling words of Mr. Vyshinsky have been thoroughly well countered by Britain's spokesmen.

**I**F we switch our gaze from wrangling Paris to London, who among us will deny that there is, in these troubled times, something comforting in the spectacle of the leaders of the British Commonwealth meeting together in friendly family conference? I, for one, will not.

Drawn from the four corners of the world, representative of different races, creeds, and colour, this was a gathering of real friends, concerned with the preservation of peace and broad, common principles of freedom.

It seems to me that at this conference our old country was rather like a mother who, herself somewhat shaken by what she has gone through, and anxious about the future, draws comfort from the sight of the youth and vigour gathered round her.

**T**HERE are those who elevate the Commonwealth into a position of being sufficient unto itself. "Our selves alone," as the Irish motto has it.

I cannot agree. For world peace and liberty we want the whole world, or so much of it as is willing to be linked together.

Yet this British combination of self-governing units is no small thing. Strong even as it is, it is still more impressive when its vast potentialities are considered.

India certainly, and Pakistan probably, may already be considered actual giants in point of numbers, while the possibilities of Canada, Australia, and South Africa are almost illimitable. They need the imagination of a modern Burke to portray them.

From "frantic words and foolish boasts" may we be preserved, but, at least, we can hold our heads high.

**L**ABOUR looks on with great interest at the public row between bluff and hearty Will Lawther, Durham head of the Mineworkers' Union, and its Communist secretary, Arthur Horner.

It is a clear clash of loyalties. Lawther, ruggedly British, with his association backing him, supports the Marshall plan and the production drive.

Horner, on the contrary, takes the Communist line of opposition, to Marshall aid and to increased British production.

He wants no Western European recovery and goes to France to support the French Communists who are behind the coal strike in that country.

**T**HERE is thus a head-on collision between the two officials, of which there is bound to be an aftermath.

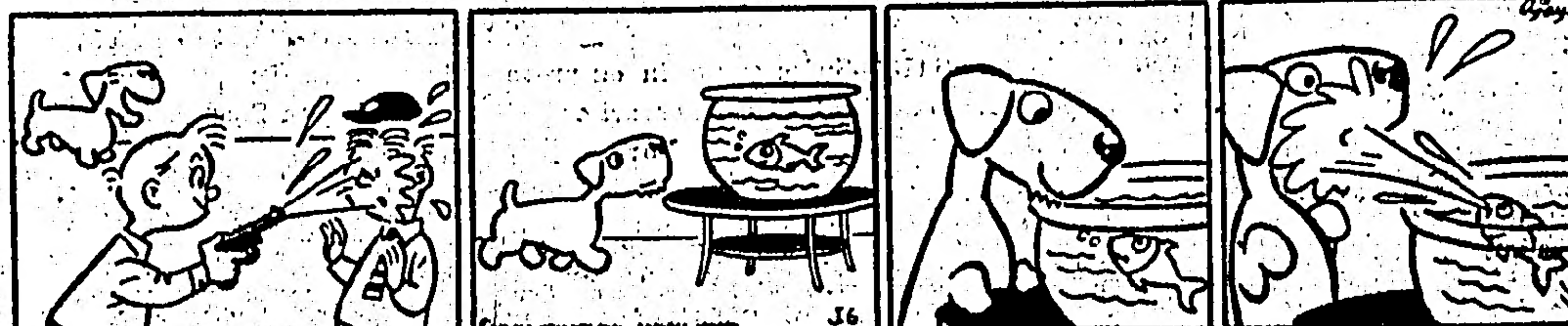
My guess is that the big fellow from Durham will come out on top of the little man from South Wales. British patriotism will triumph over alien ideology.

Horner is capable, and the miners have much respect for his ability. But they are hardly likely to allow him to flout their wishes on so vital an issue of national policy.

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# UN APPEALS TO THE BIG 4

## WRITE PEACE TREATIES

Paris, Nov. 3.—The United Nations unanimously approved on Wednesday a Mexican resolution appealing to the four big powers to forget their differences and write final peace treaties.

The Mexican proposal was approved 50 to nothing on a hand vote. There was no discussion. Eight delegations were absent.

The resolution called on the Big Four powers to "redouble their efforts in a spirit of solidarity and mutual understanding to secure in the briefest possible time the final settlement of the war and the conclusions of all the peace settlements."

India's Prime Minister, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, speaking after the vote at the invitation of the Assembly President, Dr Herbert V. Ewart of Australia, called on the United Nations to "take a holiday from politics and feed the people of the world."

"Our minds are bloodshot and our eyes are clouded with passion," he said in his first speech to the United Nations.

Mr Nehru told delegates of the 58 countries they had "not into a cycle of hatred and passion and the most brilliant debate will not get you out unless you find other means."

**TOO PREOCCUPIED**  
He said the United Nations was too preoccupied with European problems. "Asia counts in world affairs today and tomorrow will count much more than today," he said. He declared that his country would lead in the fight against colonialism.

Even though India is not a strong military power, he said, "I am not afraid of the biggest powers with their armies and their navies and their atom bombs."

India's 330,000,000 inhabitants, he concluded, "purpose to go ahead in a rapid pace building for peace."

The Assembly's Steering Committee fixed December 8 as the target date of winding up the present United Nations session.

**GENERAL AGREEMENT**  
There was general agreement among the delegates on the 14-nation body to urge the United Nations Committee and Sub-Committee to speed their work and adjourn by that date.

The United States delegate, Mr Warren Austin, told reporters in a statement that the United States was opposed to "a split session."

He said the United Nations would "make faster progress from now on if we dismiss the thought of leaving unfinished business and returning to it at a second sitting."

Mr Austin said the delegates should "devote their whole energies to completing the work of this session."—Associated Press.

**ALLEGED MASSACRE**  
Cairo, Nov. 3.—Kadi Mohamed Ibn Abdullah el Omari, President of the present League Council session, told reporters on Wednesday that the Arab League has decided to protest to the United Nations against an alleged Jewish massacre at Dajma village near Hebron in Palestine.

He declared that the inhabitants, because of lack of arms, surrendered to the Jews who killed all the men, women and children, and then drove their tanks over the corpses.

The Arab League held a one-hour meeting on Wednesday at which Azam Pasha, Secretary General, did not attend because of illness.—Associated Press.

**EXPULSION DENIED**  
Damascus, Nov. 3.—The Syrian Government Wednesday denied a Hain report that they had expelled the United Nations observers from the Syrian front.

They also denied that the chief observer, General William Riley, had protested to the Syrian Government regarding the alleged expulsions.

The Syrian Government stated that the report was utterly untrue and that observers had always been grateful for Syrian helpfulness. No protest had been received.—Associated Press.

**Pensioners Seek More Money**  
London, Nov. 3.—Two thousand old-age pensioners, many over 80 years of age, had a day out today to present a petition to Parliament demanding a 22 weekly minimum for Old Age Pensioners to meet the increased cost of living.

The petition forms, containing 4,500,000 signatures, were piled up in front of the platform at the Central Hall, Westminster, where the pensioners also cheered a call for equal pensions for women.

Their petition was later taken to the House of Commons and presented by Mrs Barbara Castle, Labour MP for Blackburn.

It stated that the basic rate of £1.00 a week was totally insufficient.—Reuter.



## Election Result Likely To Speed Up Atlantic Military Alliance

New York, Nov. 3.—The election of Mr Harry Truman to the Presidency for 1949-53 is expected to speed up the negotiation of a North Atlantic military alliance among the United States, Canada and the Western European Union.

The new and substantial Democratic majorities, which it now appears the President will have to support him in the new Congress, should assist him in obtaining the necessary and speedy approval for such a pact.

Representative John Taber, Republican Chairman of the House Appropriations Committee, who held up the allocation of Marshall Plan funds for so long earlier this year, has been re-elected as a Republican in the new Democratic-controlled Congress, but he will no longer be able to exercise his powerful delaying influence of Committee Chairman.

**COMPLETE PLAN SOON**  
State Department experts are reported to be planning to have complete proposals for the North Atlantic Alliance ready early in the New Year for Congressional consideration.

However, the United States has not yet formally accepted the invitation of the Western European Powers to the United States to join them in that alliance. A formal exchange among the powers may take place in the course of the next week.

President Truman promised tonight to dedicate himself "to the cause of peace in the world and 'prosperity and happiness at home.'"

He promised to serve the American people to the best of his ability in the four years ahead.

He acknowledged the congratulations of his defeated opponent, Governor Thomas Dewey, and commended him for his fine sportsmanship.

**TRUMAN'S PLEDGE**  
"I feel very deeply the responsibility which has fallen to my lot as the result of the election," said President Truman's simple statement.

"I shall continue to serve the American people to the best of my ability."

"All my efforts will be devoted to the cause of peace in the world and the prosperity and happiness of our people here at home."

The President tonight telegraphed Mr Dewey: "I thank you sincerely for your congratulations and good wishes. Your fine sportsmanship is deeply appreciated. We jointly owe congratulations to the American people, who have once again shown the world the vitality of our free institutions."—Reuter.

**Playing For Pocket Money**  
London, Nov. 3.—Mr Hardie Ratcliffe, General Secretary of the British Musicians' Union, protested yesterday against German musicians playing in Britain for "pocket money."

Mr Ratcliffe said that members of the Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra due to play at the open concert at the Empress Hall, Earl's Court, London last night, were being paid out £5 a week.

"That's scab pay," said Mr Ratcliffe, and added, "But there is nothing we can do about it except raise a protest."

"We should do the same if an American or any other orchestra came here on those terms—but American musicians would not."

The orchestra has been brought here by the Christian Action Movement. It is due to play in Liverpool, Birmingham and Oxford.

Dr Wilhelm Furtwangler was to conduct last night's London concert. In other concerts, Sergiu Celibidache, the orchestra's permanent conductor, will take the baton.—Associated Press.

Paris, Nov. 3.—The Ex-Emperor Bao Dai of Annam left Paris by train tonight to rejoin his family in Geneva.—Reuter.

## Fascist Riot Casualties



An unconscious woman lies in police jeep, while a dazed man holds his hand to his head after they had been clubbed during a Fascist demonstration in Rome. Demonstrators, singing Fascist hymns and waving black flags, surged through downtown Rome on the eve of the trial of Marshal Rodolfo Graziani, one-time ruler of Mussolini's African empire.—AP Picture.

## Argentine Claims The Falklands

Paris, Nov. 3.—The Argentine reiterated her claim to the Falkland Islands in the General Assembly of the United Nations today.

Dr Jose Arce, of Argentina, made a statement when the Assembly considered the question of information submitted by the colonial powers on their non-self-governing territories.

"Argentina cannot accept the information submitted by the United Kingdom in connection with the Malvinas Islands, which, in the course of previous debates, have been referred to as the Falkland Islands," he said.

Over sovereignty over these islands belongs de jure to Argentina. In spite of the fact that they have been occupied by force for over a century by the United Kingdom, it does not alter the fact that they lawfully come under Argentina's sovereignty.

"We cannot accept these reports since the United Kingdom is not sovereign over these islands and cannot report on them."

Dr Arce said he looked forward to the day when Argentina's de jure position would be recognised.

Mr Granville Adams, Britain's representative, replied: "The British Government has no doubts whatever as to its sovereignty over the Falkland Islands."

He added that Britain must reserve her position with regard to the remarks of the Argentinean delegate.—Reuter.

## Withdrawal Of Troops Promise

London, Nov. 3.—Mr Ernest Bevin, the Foreign Secretary, said today that British troops in Greece would be withdrawn when the northern neighbours of Greece "honourably agree to leave that unhappy country alone."

He was replying in Parliament to Mr D. M. Pritt, a left-wing Independent Labour member, who had asked how many British troops were now in Greece; where they were stationed; what they were doing and when they would be withdrawn.

Mr Bevin said it was not the British Government's policy to give the numbers of British troops in any given area.

The majority of the British troops in Greece were in Salonika and the remainder in the Athens area. They were engaged on training and normal peace-time duties.—Reuter.

**BACK TO WORK**  
London, Nov. 3.—Seventeen hundred film workers at the Denham Studios, who have been striking in protest against the dismissal of 92 fellow employees, tonight decided to return to work unconditionally tomorrow.

This decision was taken after the strikers' representatives had spoken with officials of the Rank organisation which owns the Denham Studios.

Earlier today, Mr J. Arthur Rank had refused to open negotiations until the strikers returned to work.—Reuter.

## Strict Observance Of Truce Demanded

### Batavia Negotiations Today

Batavia, Nov. 3.—On the eve of tomorrow's vital talks between Dr D. U. Stikker, the Dutch Foreign Minister, and Dr Mohamed Hatta, the Republican Prime Minister, the Security Council's Good Offices Committee announced today that it had called on both sides for a strict observance of the truce.

The Committee was particularly concerned about the crossing of the truce line by armed units and about broadcasts which might needlessly create misunderstanding and tension between the parties, the committee said.

Dr Stikker is expected tomorrow to press Dr Hatta for proof of the Republic's capacity to keep the truce before reporting to the Netherlands Government whether he considers it useful to resume the political negotiations.

The Republicans believe the Dutch Cabinet may order the Dutch Army to march on Jogjakarta, the Republican capital, if Dr Stikker reports unfavourably.

**POWERS TRANSFERRED**  
At a private ceremony tonight, the retiring Lieutenant Governor General, Dr Hubertus Van Mook, the last Dutch official to hold this rank in 350 years of Dutch control in Indonesia, transferred his powers to Dr Louis Beel, former Dutch Premier.

Dr Beel, who arrived by air earlier today, will hold the position of High Commissioner. He is expected to work closely with a new Indonesian Interim Federal Government with a three-man all Indonesian Directorate in control.

The formation of this new Government will be one of Dr Beel's first tasks.

A Dutch spokesman today apologised to correspondents for the action of Dutch military police who prevented them from interviewing Dr Beel on his arrival at Batavia Airport.

A Dutch Army statement today reported 631 incidents with "the enemy" on "Dutch territory" between September 29 and October 26. The statement said two clashes occurred near the truce line after firing from Republican territory.

The Republican Government counter-claimed that it had documentary proof that the Dutch violated the truce by infiltration into Republican territory.—Reuter.

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